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period for response. Please enter the following amendments and remarks into the record.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claim 3.

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

~~1. (amended) A compound 8 to 50 nucleobases in length targeted to a nucleic acid molecule encoding human short heterodimer partner-1 (SEQ ID NO: 3), wherein said compound specifically hybridizes with and inhibits the expression of a nucleic acid molecule encoding short heterodimer partner-1.~~

~~11. (amended) A compound 8 to 50 nucleobases in length which specifically hybridizes with at least an 8-nucleobase portion of an active site on a nucleic acid molecule encoding human short heterodimer partner-1 (SEQ ID NO:3).~~

REMARKS

Claims 1-20 are pending in this application. Claim 3 has been canceled. Claims 1 and 11 have been amended. No new matter has been added by this amendment. Reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of these amendments and the following remarks.